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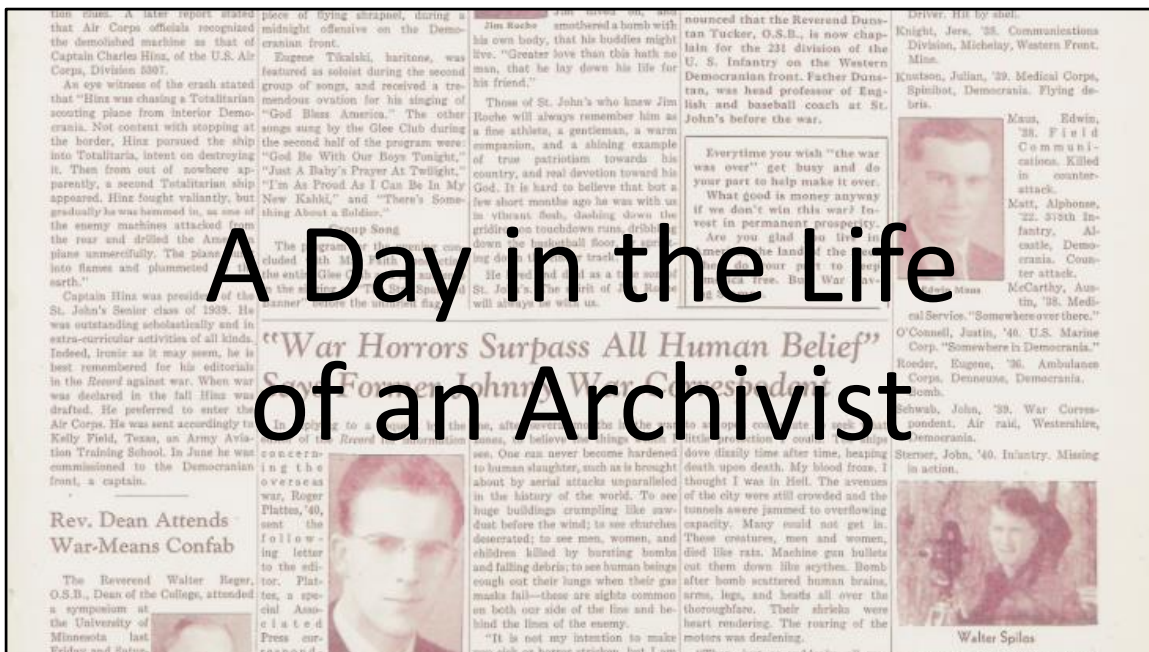
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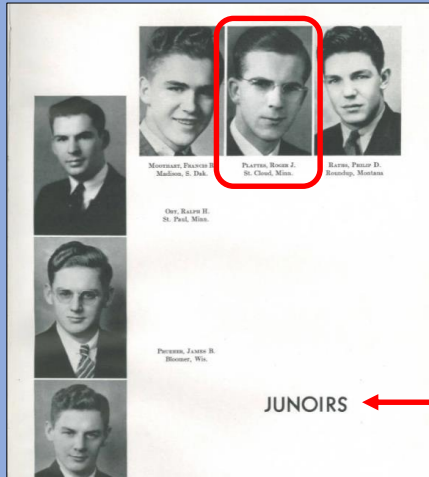
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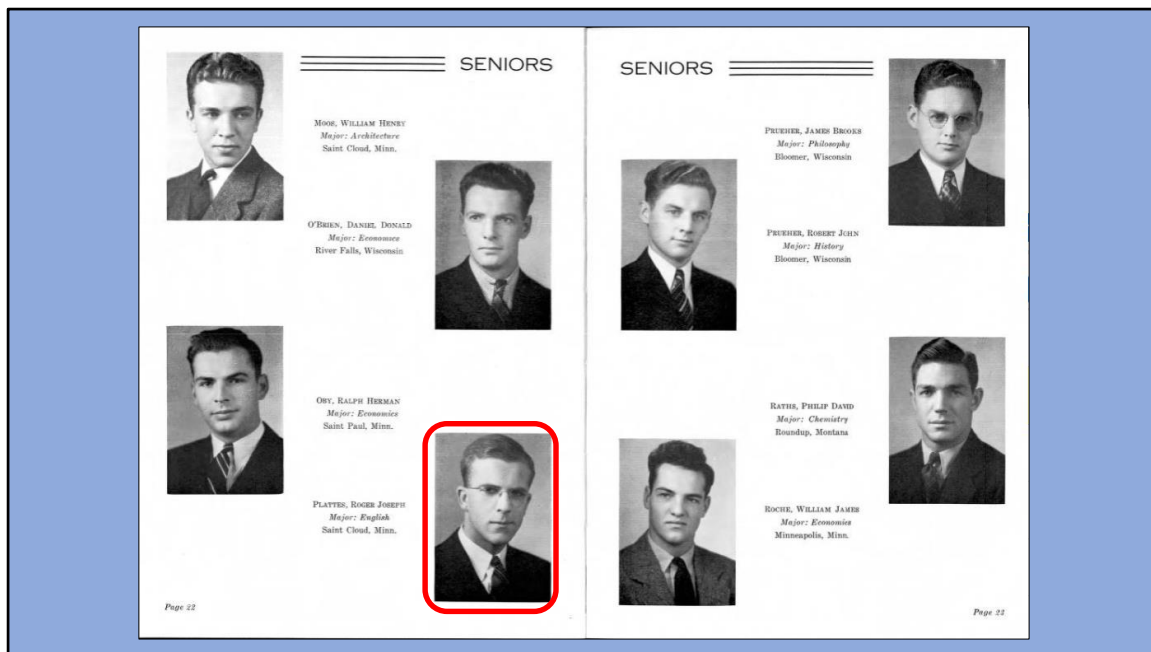
"I'm looking for information on SJU student Roger Plattes, Class of 1940. He was a St. Cloud guy and attended Tech High School."



His junior photo in the  
1939 *Sagatagan* yearbook

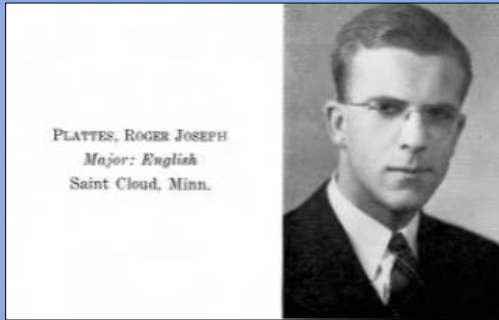
(a rather significant typo!)

He is pictured as a junior on [p. 41 \(of the pdf\)](#) in the 1939 *Sagatagan* yearbook  
<http://cdm.csbsju.edu/digital/collection/SJUArchives/id/47795/rec/4>



1940 Sagatagan yearbook, [p. 22](#)

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His senior photo in the 1940 *Sagatagan* yearbook



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He was also pictured on [p. 77](#) in the 1940 *Sagatagan* yearbook as an official at a track meet  
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Roger in  
World War II



His location and occupation are noted in the  
Summer 1961 issue of the *Saint John's Magazine*

1961  
Grand Forks, N.D.... **Roger Plattes** is a reporter  
with the *Grand Forks Herald*. His home is 1224  
Cottonwood Ct., Grand Forks, N.D.... The pastor

#### MILESTONES

- '39 Sister Jeremy Hall, OSB, sister of Bill '39,  
Nov. '08
- '39 Beatrice "Bea" Terhaar, spouse of  
deceased Herbert '39, Feb. '09
- '40 Francis Bohnenstingel '40, Jan. '09
- '40 **Roger Plattes '40, father of Peter '69,  
brother of Gordon '41, Feb. '09**
- '40 George Robinson '40, Nov. '08
- '40 Walter Spilos '40, Apr. '08
- '40 Art Thompson '40, Aug. '08
- '41 Elmer Eichers '41, Dec. '08
- '41 Bill McShane '41, father of Mike '70 and  
Tim '81, Mar. '09
- '41 Abbot Jerome Weber, OSB '41, Sept. '08

His death is noted  
in the Fall 2009  
*Saint John's  
Magazine*

Plattes, Roger SJU 1940 in WWII 103Sh3v2p43no6.tif photo in the SJU Archives

*Saint John's Magazine*, Summer 1961, [p. 21](#),

<http://cdm.csbsju.edu/digital/collection/SJUArchives/id/765/rec/6>

His February 2009 death was noted in the Fall 2009 *Saint John's Magazine*, [p. 43](#)


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An article by Roger turns up in *The Record*

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Banner" before the unfurled flag. will always be with us.

## "War Horrors Surpass All Human Belief"

### Says Former Johnny War Correspondent

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Plattes, a special Associated Press correspondent, is at present stationed at Edenshire, Democrania.

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"Whoever it was that said 'War is Hell' used the tamest description he could conjure up. It is hard for even

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"It was about 10:30 p.m. when I had just retired in downtown Edenshire. The night was still and I drowsily listened to the hum of the traffic and the voices of people on the street below. Then suddenly like a shattering peal of thunder, the sound of roaring bombing planes came to my ear. The danger alarms screamed and the people ran insanely for the tunnels. Pandemonium reigned.

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to an open coal chute to seek what little protection I could. The ships dove dizzily time after time, heaping death upon death. My blood froze. I thought I was in Hell. The avenues of the city were still crowded and the tunnels were jammed to overflowing capacity. Many could not get in. These creatures, men and women, died like rats. Machine gun bullets cut them down like scythes. Bomb after bomb scattered human brains, entrails and limbs all over the place.


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**Remember The Cigarette Fund**

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Thursday, April 20, 1939

## Patriotic Johnnies In Varied Branches of Service

### JOHNNIES WOUNDED

For the convenience of those classmates and friends who wish to communicate with the following, we have included addresses of the wounded which are correct up to the time of publication.

Adrian, Herbert, '29, 11th Convalescent Base Hospital, Sacramento, California. Formerly Quartermaster Corps, Company H.

Durda, Joseph, '42, 83 Convalescent Base Hospital, Schilt, Democrazia. Formerly U.S. Marine Corps, Division 73.

Germaine, Rev. Aldan H., O.S.B., '19, 26th Field Hospital Base, Democrazia. Formerly Captain Chaplain, Engineer Corps, 44.

Gleason, John R., '25, 11th Convalescent Base Hospital, Saphlo Western Front, Democrazia. Formerly Lieut. Ambulance Corps, Section 22.

K u e s s e l  
W a y n e, '41, Base Hospital, Lassaga, Democrazia. Formerly Machine Gun Corps, 32 Battalion, Comp. any A.

Lamb, Edwin, '41, 83 Convalescent Base, Schilt, Democrazia. Formerly Communications Division, Headquarters.

Mannix, Robert, '42, 74 Field Hospital, Essey, Democrazia. Formerly 22 Division, Company G, 24th Infantry.



Wayne Kussel

### JOHNNY PATRIOTS

Johnnies in the service. Drop us a line with your position, company, location, etc. We will print them all to show we're proud of our grads and students who have joined our forces in the hour of need.

Anderl, Rev. Stephen, '36, Lieut. Chaplain, Camp Marion, W.B. Bismarck, Archie, '00, Aeronautics Dept. Washington, D.C.

Bradford, Robert, '37, Engineering Corp, 145 Division, Democrazia.

Campbell, Duncan, '36, Naval Aviation Corp, Alnahp Carrie Saratoga.

Cram, Cleveland C., '38, Entertainment Corp, "Over There."

Dougherty, Lawrence, '39, Quastio, Democrazia.

Erhol, Joseph, '40, "Somewhere in Democrazia."

Fleming, Edmund, '38, Field Artillery "Over There."

Gorman, Philip, '27, Intelligence Dept., Washington, D.C.

Grabek, Tod, '40, U.S. Marine Band Drum Major.

Hurd, Harlan, '40, Director of physical education, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Moon, Philip, '32, 1st Lieut. Medical Corps, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Papenfuss, Dr. N. D., '29, Lieut. Medical Corps "Over There."

Rath, Philip, '40, Sergeant Major, Quartermaster Corps, 351 Division, Democrazia.



### Captain Edwin Welte '33, Describes War Hospitals

Edwin Welte, '33, now a Captain in the Medical Corps, 79th Regiment, Camp Lewis, Democrazia, writes back the following facts concerning hospitals during war times, and the treatment which they offer wounded soldiers.

"Hospitalization, as a unit, is divided into four distinct and separate units, the emergency hospital, the field hospital, the base hospital, and lastly, the convalescent hospital. Each is a degeneration from the fighting front with thousands of cases passing through each unit.

"The emergency unit is restricted solely to the front line trenches, and it is the primary duty of this unit to stem the flow of blood from the wounded, and to pass each case toward its respective hospital, depending upon the severity of the injury. Most cases require treatment in the field hospital, and are sent there directly from the emergency unit.

"It is at the field hospital that amputations are performed, and te-

tanus antitoxin is administered, to prevent lock-jaw. Lacerations and open wounds are closed, and the patients are then sent to the base hospital, some distance to the rear of the front line trenches.

"Here the cases are treated more thoroughly. Since there is not so great a danger of destruction to these hospitals, they are far better equipped than the former, hence, can take care of complications, as well as afford the patient the maximum in convalescence. Permanent staff doctors and nurses are in attendance in this hospital, in contrast to the more or less disorganized methods necessarily employed in the emergency and field hospitals.

"The convalescent hospital is the last stage in the wounded's course toward recovery. Here, the ambulant patients are housed and under competent guidance, nursed back to normal strength. If the discharged patient is not permanently disabled he again takes his place in the front lines.

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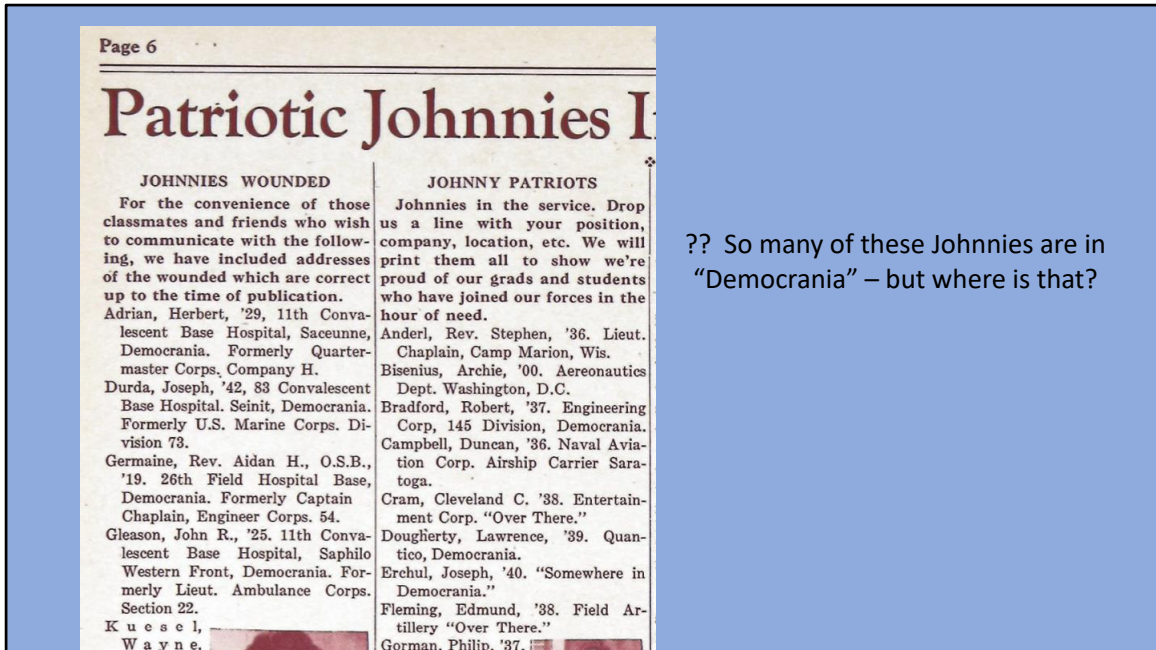
Rev. Baldwin Dworschak, O.S.B., announced today that the number of *Sapientia* to be printed this year has been reduced from 500 to 200. The decrease in the student body as a whole, and the need to turn the funds into more needed channels has prompted this action.

**Dr. N. Ahmann, '16**  
RESIDENT DENTIST  
Room 207 Grady Exchange Bldg.  
St. Cloud, Minn.  
At St. John's Tues. & Thurs.

Save Now! Buy War Saving Stamps

*"Yes Sir. Chesterfield Time  
Pleasure Time"*

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COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA, THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1939

NUMBER 12

## Battlefields Red With Alumni Blood

### Charles Hinz Meets Death In Air Battle

### Rescuers Find Charred Body Of Past Editor In Plane Wreckage

By James Barry

A dispatch from Poltava, capital of Democrania, this morning announced that a lone American pursuit plane was shot down in flames while engaging in an air battle with two totalitarian machines near the Democranian border. Rescuers extracted a charred body but failed to find any identities.



Charles Hinz

### Glee Club Gives Wartime Concert

In keeping with the spirit of the time, Mr. John Faith, of the Music Department, conducted the St. John's University Glee Club in a program of new and old popular wartime songs. The program consisted of two groups of songs, the first group of which included, "Over There," "There's A Long Long Trail Awaiting," "My Buddy," "I'll Wait For You 'Til It's Over," and "Send Me Away With A Kiss."

#### Telegram Read

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### Jim Roche Killed Smothering Bomb On Fighting Front

Jim Roche has made the supreme sacrifice. His body lies in a hastily dug grave on the eastern Democranian fighting front. He died as he lived, in action. Without regard for his personal well-being,



### 22 Former Students Killed In American War Service

#### Chaplain



Rev. Dunstan Tucker, O.S.B.

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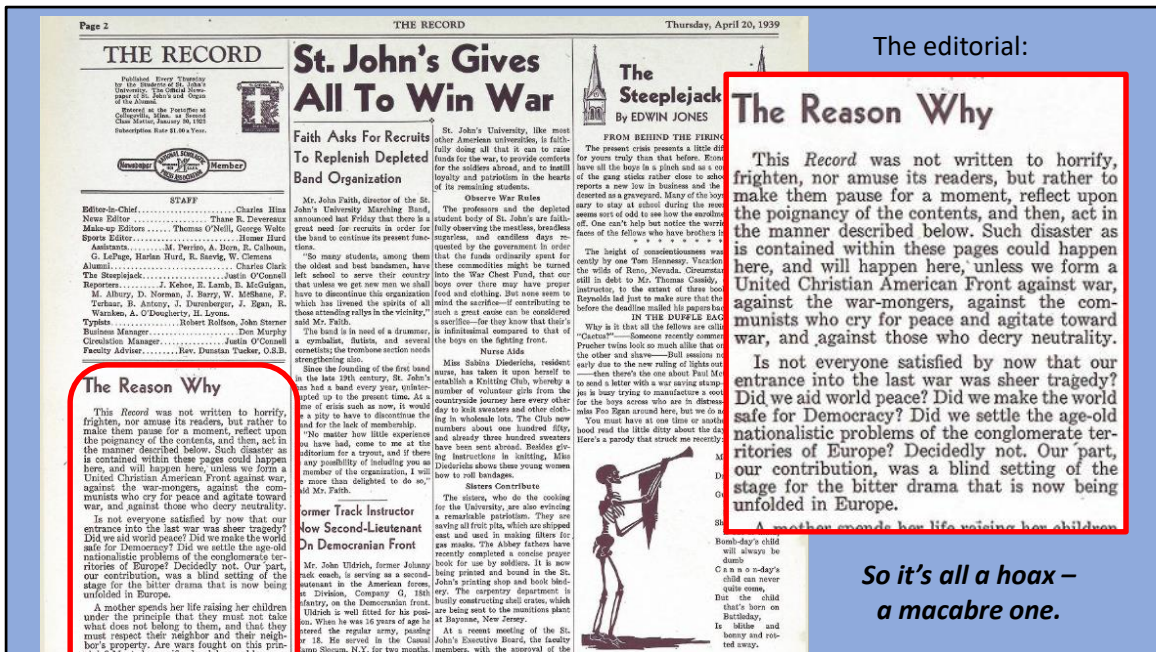
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Another clue, on page 3:

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**This Is Authentic News**

**Father Abbot Is Chairman At Catechetical Congress**

**Father Roger And Two Students Attend**

Father Abbot and the Reverend Roger Schoenhecher, O.S.B., attended the first provincial Catechetical Congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine for the province of St. Paul held at St. Paul April 11-12-13. As delegates of the student body, Joseph Soukup and Urban Neudecker also attended.

Father Abbot was honorary chairman of the general session on Thursday morning when the nature and objectives of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine were discussed at length in speeches by priests and representative laity.

Father Abbot closed the session with an apt summary of the meeting reminding the hearers that while all these activities are very useful and necessary they should not forget that natural means alone will not suffice without the supernatural means of grace and prayer.

**Pope Pius X**

Many church dignitaries representing the several dioceses of the province spoke at the various meetings expressing the spirit of the Confraternity. The Holy See has commanded every ecclesiastical province to hold such a Catechetical congress.

**Rev. Ulric To Tour Europe; Study In Rome**

*By James Barry*

We were sitting across from each other, Father Ulric Beste and I, in the small intimate parlor. His expressive eyes shot a decisive glance.

"The Record would like to congratulate you on your good fortune in having the gift of the trip abroad, which Father Abbot promised at your Jubilee celebration this fall. We feel that our readers would be interested in knowing about it."

**Will Visit Palestine**

"I first plan to embark from Naples, Italy, by boat to Alexandria, Egypt, and from there up the Nile to Cairo for about ten days. I will then leave for Palestine and hope to reach there by Pentecost. After the sojourn in the midst of the hills and valleys of Judea, where our Lord walked during the first Pentecostal season, I will depart for Rome. I plan to stay in the Eternal City for a few weeks."

"What is the purpose of your trip?"

"Well," he said with a laugh, "I suppose you could say 'merely a tourist' but I am also going to

**To Marry**



**Edward Devitt To Wed April 22**

Edward J. Devitt, '32, of St. Paul, assistant attorney general, will marry Mrs. Marcelle MacRae, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. V. J. La Rose of Bismarck, N. Dak., April 22, in St. Mary's pro-cathedral, Bismarck.

**Fiancee Was Actress**

Mrs. MacRae is a graduate of Trinity college and the American

**Faculty Delegates Attend Convention At Catholic U.**

**Bishop Peschges Stops At St. John's To Visit Crookston Students**

Bishop John H. Peschges, D.D., '99, of Crookston diocese, arrived here Friday afternoon for a brief, informal visit to the priesthood students of his diocese. He was enroute to Crookston from the Catechetical Congress held the two preceding days in St. Paul.

At the Congress, Bishop Peschges preached the sermon at the opening pontifical High Mass at which Archbishop John Gregory Murray was celebrant. The theme of the sermon was "The Catechetical Congress as a form of Catholic Action."

**Sophomores Finish Comprehensive Tests**

On April 17, 19, and 21, sophomores at St. John's wrote the comprehensive tests taken by sophomores of practically every college in the country.

The scope of the tests covers all the basic fields in high-school and lower college education. The tests aid the administration in helping a student choose a correct course; they

**Discuss Current Educational Problems**

The Reverend Walter Reger, O.S.B., dean of the University, and the Reverend Oliver Kapner, O.S.B., librarian, attended the convention of the National Catholic Educational Association at Washington, D.C., April 12-15.

This convention marked the thirty sixth annual meeting of Catholic university educators from Catholic colleges and universities all over the United States. The purpose of the association is to bring together representatives of Catholic schools for a discussion of current educational problems.

Father Walter represented St. John's University as delegate to the college and university department held at McMahon Hall, Catholic University.

The important topics discussed included relations of principles to action in Catholic colleges, role of the colleges in Catholic action, teacher training and graduate school programs, and education programs and research. Committees were drawn up to investigate the institution of a National Honor Society for students of Catholic colleges and universities.

Father Oliver was the delegate to the library department of the con-

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Student Newspapers of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University

The entire run of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University newspapers have been digitized and are available for full-text searching. The first newspaper was published between 1965 and 1999, and had several titles. The newspaper, *The Record*, has been published since 1888. In 2000 it became a separate newspaper.

Issues can be searched separately, collectively, or browsed; see below.

An **IN-HOUSE SUBJECT INDEX** to selected articles from *The Record* publications is also available, as is one to **CSB-only Student Newspapers**. These are useful for locating citations to **only major articles** on a subject. They are not linked to the full text, and would need to be found using the links below.

**Searching for Text:**

For a general search of the collection by keyword, simply type a word or phrase in the box below. Do not add Boolean operators between words; the "and" is automatically added by the search engine.

The April 20, 1939 issue of *The Record* has now been added to the list of known "Spoof/Parody" issues – the earliest one found, so far!

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